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Question: Can the New Zealanders sell the butter or its products to the Soviet Union? Can third parties buy from New Zealand and sell ~~from~~ to the Soviet Union?

Answer: The New Zealand Dairy Board has agreed not to sell the butter to the Soviet Union. As a result of this sale the Soviets may be able to buy more butter or butter products from somewhere since there is more butter on the world market. After passing through several hands or through processing it may be possible that some of the products of American cows may end up in Russian mouths, but this arrangement should minimize that. We have done as much as is practical or feasible by getting the New Zealand Dairy Board not to sell the butter to the Soviet Union.

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